SOUTH DAKOTA BOARD OF NURSING

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IN THE MATTER OF THE LICENSURE

PROCEEDINGS

VOLUNTARY SURRENDER
CONSENT ORDER

RE: LISA FISCHER, RN

License No. R-023717,

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Licensee.

WHEREAS, Lisa Fischer, R.N. ("Licensee"), is licensed to practice as a registered nurse in the State of South Dakota and holds License No. R-023717; and

WHEREAS, said Licensee on March 1, 2006, in her renewal application made an affirmative response to the use of or treatment for abuse or misuse of alcohol or chemical substances; and

WHEREAS, in an Informal Meeting with the South Dakota Board of Nursing staff, the Licensee, on March 29, 2006, admitted to narcotic and methamphetamine abuse while employed as a nurse. Licensee signed a voluntary refrain from practice and agreed to enter into the Health Professionals Assistance Program ("HPAP"); and

WHEREAS, on April 19, 2006, the Board of Nursing mandated the Licensee into participation and HPAP; and

WHEREAS, the Licensee has been noncompliant with the HPAP; and

WHEREAS, Licensee has agreed that she would surrender her South Dakota nursing license; and

WHEREAS, the South Dakota Board of Nursing ("the Board") has a statutory obligation to protect the public health, safety and welfare set forth in SDCL §36-9, including the protection of the public from unsafe nursing practices and practitioners; and

WHEREAS, Licensee agrees that the matters under investigation would be of a nature that would constitute grounds for the discipline of her license to practice nursing in South Dakota under SDCL § 36-9-49; and

WHEREAS, the Licensee agrees that he enters into this Voluntary Surrender

Consent Order voluntarily and without duress or compulsion, in full understanding of the
legal consequences of this document and her rights; therefore,

ITS IS HEREBY STIPULATED AND AGREED AS FOLLOWS:

- 1. That the Board has jurisdiction over the person of the Licensee and the subject matter of this Voluntary Surrender Consent Order.
- 2. That the Licensee, on March 1, 2006, in her renewal application made an affirmative response to the use of or treatment for abuse or misuse of alcohol or chemical substances. In an Informal Meeting with the South Dakota Board of Nursing staff, the Licensee, on March 29, 2006, admitted to narcotic and methamphetamine abuse while employed as a nurse. Licensee signed a voluntary refrain from practice and agreed to enter into the Health Professionals Assistance Program ("HPAP"). On April 19, 2006, the Board of Nursing mandated the Licensee into participation and HPAP. The Licensee has been noncompliant with the HPAP. Licensee has agreed that she would surrender her

South Dakota nursing license and now intends to leave the profession of nursing as a registered nurse.

- 3. That the Licensee has been given an opportunity to discuss this Voluntary Surrender Consent Order with an attorney of Licensees choice, and is aware of her right to a hearing in this matter, and of her rights under the United States and South Dakota Constitutions, laws, rules and/or regulations. Licensee hereby voluntarily waives all such rights to a hearing, notice, appearance, or any other rights under said Constitutions, laws, rules and/or regulations. Licensee also agrees that the Boards Executive Secretary or her designee may present this Voluntary Surrender Consent Order to the Board and disclose to the Board all items of her investigation, including, but not limited to, any communications with Licensee.
- 4. That the Licensees license to practice nursing in South Dakota and her privilege to practice nursing pursuant to the Nurse License Compact, shall be surrendered and the Board shall suspend said license for an indefinite period from the date of this Order. Licensee may apply to have her license reinstated for good cause shown.
- 5. That nothing in this Voluntary Surrender Consent Order should imply that the Licensee shall be reinstated. Licensee recognizes that the reinstatement terms, as well as the requirements for reinstatement, are at the sole discretion of the Board.
- 6. That if the Licensee requests reinstatement, Licensee has the burden of presenting information showing that Licensees license should be reinstated.

- 7. That it is further stipulated and agreed that this Voluntary Surrender Consent Order is being entered into voluntarily by the Licensee and without threats or coercion and is entered into after the Licensee has been given ample opportunity to consider these matters and to discuss this Voluntary Surrender Consent Order with an attorney of Licensees choice and that the Licensee has a full understanding of the legal consequences of this Voluntary Surrender Consent Order and of the Licensees rights to a formal hearing on these matters, which rights are hereby waived by the signing of this Voluntary Surrender Consent Order.
- 8. That the Board may enter an Order consistent with the terms of this Stipulation.

NOW, THEREFORE, the foregoing Voluntary Surrender Consent Order is entered into and is respectfully submitted to the Board with the request that the Board adopt its terms as an Order of the Board in the above matter.

Dated this 9th day of August, 2006.

Lisa Fischer, R.N., Licensee

The South Dakota Board of Nursing meeting on the 13 day of factor, 2006, (approved) (rejected) the attached Voluntary Surrender Consent Order (as written) (with the following modifications):

and issued its Order as follows:

IT IS HEREBY ORDERED that the above Voluntary Surrender Consent Order is adopted shown herein by the South Dakota Board of Nursing this _/3 day of ______.

2006, by a vote of _/0-0___.

SOUTH DAKOTA BOARD OF NURSING

Gloria Damgaard, Executive Director